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UPDATED: US Highway 2 eastbound roadway is open between Minot and Towner, US 2 westbound is closed between 55th Street SE and US Highway 83 Junction south in Minot

The US Highway 2 eastbound roadway is open between Minot and Towner, but the US 2 westbound roadway is closed between 55th Street SE and the Junction of US Highway 83 south in Minot.

To reduce traffic congestion in the Minot area and continue to move commerce and truck traffic, the following detour is recommended:

• US 2 Westbound traffic: Go south on US Highway 281, west of Devils Lake to US Highway 52 at Carrington. Take US Highway 52 northwest to ND Highway 23. Take ND Highway 23 west to US Highway 83. Take US Highway 83 north to Minot.

Alternate routes are available for local traffic on other state highways, however, motorists should be aware they will encounter areas of construction work, water on the roadway, one-lane traffic, reduced speeds and width restrictions.

Motorists are encouraged to use caution while traveling, as vehicles that leave the roadway may become immersed in high water. The roads are closed for the safety of the traveling public. Please remember when a road is closed it is illegal to go around barricades and motorists can be fined.

For road information, motorists should go to www.dot.nd.gov or call 511.

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